Course Summary for "GISA21 – Advanced Geographical Information Systems" through 2020

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Number of students: 120 students started the course in vt20 and ht20
Grade distribution: 75 students received a grade of G in vt20 and ht20

Evaluation

Summary of the course evaluation

Number of survey responses: 640 for vt13 through ht20.

Short summary of the evaluation responses

In general the students were very satisfied, satisfied, not satisfied with the course (overall score of x, on a scale x-y). In general the students were very satisfied with the course. The students felt that the design of the course supporting their learning well (3.8/5), that the workload of the course was generally appropriate (3.2/5), and that the balance between theoretical and practical components was nearly ideal (2.9/5). Gender was reasonably evenly balanced (52% male / 48% female).

Comments from the teaching team

Not much was reported that distinguished 2020 from previous iterations of the course. Evaluation of changes implemented since the last time the course was given. While a major revision to course materials (specifically lectures) was conducted with new materials since HT19, there isn't much in the evaluations that has changed except that students indicate they appreciate the quality of the new lectures. All exercises have been updated for ArcGIS Pro, and the response has been that as ArcGIS Pro seems to continuously change, some dissatisfaction that teachers cannot keep up with this.

Suggestions for changes to implement before the course is given the next time

Continuing work will be done to attempt to keep up with changes in ArcGIS Pro, so that instructions match whatever interface the students are using, to as great an extent as possible.

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